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Applicant: First Data Corporation

Serial No.: 09/298,505

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For: METHOD FOR LINKING ACCOUNTS CORRESPONDING  
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Sir:

This firm was hired to take over prosecution of the above-referenced patent application by Applicant, First Data Corporation, on approximately November 1, 2000, due to a conflict of interest with its previous firm Askew & Jones. Applicant notes that there are no outstanding Office Actions with regard to the above-referenced application.

Enclosed herewith for filing is Applicant's Power of Attorney, as executed by Kenneth Algiene of Applicant corporation. Applicant request that this document be recorded upon receipt and that changes be made as necessary within the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office database to identify this firm as Applicant's attorney's of record. All correspondence with regard to prosecution of this application should be directed to: Mark E. Brown, Esq., Shughart Thomson & Kilroy, P.C., 120 West 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64105, Telephone: (913) 451-3355.



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REMARKS:

Applicant, First Data Corporation, respectfully requests that the enclosed Power of Attorney appointing the law firm of Shughart Thomson & Kilroy, P.C., be filed and that confirmation of such filing be sent to this firm. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if the prosecution of this matter can be expedited thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

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